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MC4 Launches *The Gateway* Newsletter

Monthly Online Newsletter Connects Army's Global Medical Community

FORT DETRICK, **Md.**, **Jan. 3**, **2006** – Medical Communications for Combat & Casualty Care (MC4), which develops, fields and supports a medical information management system for Army tactical medical forces, is launching *The Gateway* – a monthly online newsletter. Written for military medical professionals tasked with securing a complete, electronic medical record for all Service members, *The Gateway* is a two-way communication tool that will enable MC4 users and stakeholders to share information and best practices. The first issue will be distributed to current users on Jan. 6, 2006. Others interested in receiving the newsletter can subscribe by visiting www.mc4.army.mil/subscribe.

"I couldn't be more pleased with how the MC4 program has grown from a 12-person shop in 1999, to more than 120 highly skilled professionals deployed throughout the U.S. and Southwest Asia today," said LTC Edward T. Clayson, MC4 Product Manager. "To ensure MC4's continuing success, we are opening the lines of communication with *The Gateway* to more effectively unite the MC4 global community."

The Gateway will provide the most timely, comprehensive information about the MC4 program, its systems and its users, including the following sections:

Feature Story – Topics ranging from emerging technologies to relevant news and events

Product Manager's Corner – Leadership perspective from LTC Clayson

Training & Fielding News – Mission critical functions in the field

Tips & Tricks – Helpful user "tricks," trouble-shooting updates and system enhancement tips

Spotlight On – Close-up interviews of individuals who impact the electronic medical recording initiative

Ask MC4 – Answers to questions submitted from the field

"I am most excited about *The Gateway* being driven by the MC4 community," Clayson said. On a monthly basis, members of the MC4 community will be contributing information, articles, ideas, photos, helpful tips and anything that would be of use or interest to other members of the MC4 community.

Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4) develops, fields and supports a medical information management system for Army tactical medical forces, enabling a comprehensive, life-long electronic medical record for all Service members, and enhancing medical situational awareness for operational commanders. Headquartered at Fort Detrick, Md., MC4 is under the oversight of the Army Program Executive Office Enterprise Information Systems (PEO EIS) at Fort Belvoir, Va. For more information on MC4, visit www.mc4.army.mil.

